

Atty. Docket No. A2003-S0651US/SPO200512-0108US  
Application No: 10/761,500

Remarks

The Examiner has required restriction of the claims as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-18, drawn to methods, classified in class 134, subclass 3.0.

Group II: Claims 19-25, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 134, subclass 48.

Applicant has elected Group I, Claims 1-18, drawn to methods, without traverse. Claims 19-25 are now believed to be withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected Group.

Conclusions

In view of the above election and remarks, Claims 1-18 are in condition for examination on the merits. Early notice to that effect is earnestly requested.

If it is deemed helpful or beneficial to the efficient prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,



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